## STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; India Day is observed annually—in India and throughout the world—to commemorate the anniversary of India's independence from the United Kingdom on August 15, 1947, which ushered in a new age of freedom, justice, and security for the people of India; and

WHEREAS; in addition to commemorating India's independence, India Day provides an opportunity for all Wisconsinites to learn about Indian culture and its incredible diversity of language, region, and religion and to strengthen the bonds between the Indian community and others; and

WHEREAS; events are hosted across the state to promote cultural understanding and harmony through authentic Indian cuisine, art, and activities and to bring together the Indian community, residents, dignitaries, and distinguished guests; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is home to vibrant Indian and Indian American communities, and the heritage, traditions, cultures, history, spiritual values, achievements, and contributions of these communities cannot be overstated; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins Wisconsinites of all backgrounds and cultures in celebrating the anniversary of India's independence and promoting unity and the appreciation of Indian culture and the Indian community throughout the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim August 15, 2023, as

## **INDIA DAY**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 13th day of July 2023.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI Secretary of State